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June 08, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

9 June 8, 2016

LORI GLASGOW EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FIRE CAMP 13 WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY REPAIR PROJECT APPROVE APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT (THIRD DISTRICT)
(3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Find the Fire Camp 13 Wastewater Treatment Facility Repair Project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act; establish Capital Project No. 87328 for the proposed Project; and approve an appropriation adjustment to fund the Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find the Fire Camp 13 Wastewater Treatment Facility Repair Project categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this letter, and in the record of the Project.
- 2. Establish Capital Project No. 87328 for the proposed Fire Camp 13 Wastewater Treatment Facility Repair Project.
- 3. Approve an appropriation adjustment to transfer \$650,000, from the Capital Project No. 86726 to the Capital Project No. 87328, to fund the proposed Fire Camp 13 Wastewater Treatment Facility Repair Project.
- 4. Authorize the Internal Services Department and Department of Public Works to manage and deliver the proposed Fire Camp 13 Wastewater Treatment Facility Repair Project using a

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combination of the Board-approved Job Order Contract, Internal Services Department staff, and Board-approved Department of Public Works As-needed Environmental Services Contract.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will find the proposed Fire Camp 13 Wastewater Treatment Facility Repair Project (Project) exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), establish Capital Project (C.P.) No. 87328 for the Project, approve an appropriation adjustment, and allow the Internal Services Department (ISD) and Department of Public Works (DPW) to carry out the Project using Board-approved Job Order Contractor (JOC), and Board-approved As-Needed Environmental Services Contract.

Background

The County of Los Angeles (County) Fire Department (Fire) and State of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) jointly operate Fire Camp 13 (Camp 13) at 1250 South Encinal Canyon Road in Malibu, California. ISD is responsible for the maintenance of some portions of Camp 13. Camp 13 houses approximately 75 minimum-custody female inmates, in addition to 20 CDCR and Fire staff. Camp 13 has been in operation since the 1960s.

Wastewater generated by occupants at Camp 13 is treated on-site, and the treated wastewater is then piped about 550 feet away and discharged into a series of percolation ponds. The treated wastewater effluent discharge was originally permitted by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) in 1971, and subsequently in a Waste Discharge Requirement Order (WDR) issued on February 27, 1989. The RWQCB's WDR for Camp 13 was again revised in 2000, which necessitated a major upgrade of the Wastewater Treatment Plant in October 2004.

As part of periodic review of the 2000 permit conditions and evaluation of recent data in 2015, the RWQCB further revised its requirements for the discharge of treated effluent, imposing more stringent conditions that are now approaching drinking water quality levels. With these changes, Camp 13 no longer meets the permit requirements. In 2015, the RWQCB issued an Order, which included a timeline for compliance with several conditions, and a requirement for the installation of new monitoring wells and soil remediation in the facility's ponds. County staff have been working to meet all conditions of the Order, and a workplan has been approved by the RWQCB for installation of the new monitoring wells. However, given the challenges posed by extreme terrain and geology in the area, specialized equipment is needed to drill these wells. The RWQCB's Order timeline allowed only until the end of August 2016 for permitting, installation, monitoring, and sampling of the groundwater wells, as well as soil remediation.

The recommended actions will allow ISD and DPW to work together, in collaboration with the Chief Executive Office (CEO), to ensure that all groundwater monitoring wells, soil remediation, and other conditions set forth in the Order are completed as required by the RWQCB.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions meet the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goal of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1), by completing the proposed monitoring well installation and remediation services in the most efficient and cost-effective manner. It also meets the Goal of Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3), by maximizing opportunities to measurably improve client and community outcomes and leverage resources.

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FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Approval of the attached appropriation adjustment will authorize the transfer of \$650,000 from the C.P. No. 86726 (Various Septic System Improvements) to the C.P. No. 87328, to fund construction activities, including installation of four new monitoring wells and soil remediation services for the proposed Project. The proposed Project is funded by prior year net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Although the installation of the monitoring wells and soil remediation activities have been negotiated with the RWQCB, noncompliance with the RWQCB's Orders could result in fines or litigation.

County Counsel has reviewed the aforementioned RWQCB Order, and concurs with the recommended action.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This proposed Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The proposed Project includes soil remediation and installation of additional monitoring wells at an existing public facility. The work is, therefore, within a class of projects that has been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment, in that it meets criteria set forth in Sections 15301 (a) and (f) and 15330 of the State of CEQA Guidelines, and Class 1(d) and (i) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G. The proposed Project involves negligible, or no expansion of an existing use. In addition, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, or other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the proposed Project records.

Upon the Board's approval of the proposed Project, ISD will file a Notice of Exemption with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk in accordance with Section 15062 of the State CEQA guidelines.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The proposed Project will be managed by ISD with the work being performed by a JOC contractor previously awarded by the Board, as well as a Board-approved DPW As-Needed Environmental Services contractor.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The construction will have no impact to current services. ISD and DPW will coordinate the construction of the proposed Project with Fire staff in order to minimize impacts to existing operations and staff.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this Board letter to the Chief Executive Office.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chief Executive Officer

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Enclosures

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
County Counsel
Fire
Internal Services
Public Works

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

June 27, 2016 DEPT NO: 060

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. PLEASE CONFIRM THE ACCOUNTING ENTRIES AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR
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SOURCES TOTAL	\$ 650,000	USES TOTAL	\$ 650,000
JUSTIFICATION			
Reflects the transfer of funding Project to satisfy a Regional Wat	from Various Septic System Improveme er Board Order in FY 2015-16.	ent into the Fire Camp 13 Wastewat	er Treatment Facility Refurbishment
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B.A. NO. 193	DATE May 11, 2016		DATE MAY 11, 2016

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